§ 1005.22

10 days after the DAB issues its decision, the Associate General Counsel will notify the U.S. Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation of any petitions that were received within the 10-day period.

§1005.22 Stay of initial decision.

- (a) In a CMP case under section 1128A of the Act, the filing of a respondent's request for review by the DAB will automatically stay the effective date of the ALJ's decision.
- (b) (1) After the DAB renders a decision in a CMP case, pending judicial review, the respondent may file a request for stay of the effective date of any penalty or assessment with the ALJ. The request must be accompanied by a copy of the notice of appeal filed with the Federal court. The filing of such a request will automatically act to stay the effective date of the penalty or assessment until such time as the ALJ rules upon the request.
- (2) The ALJ may not grant a respondent's request for stay of any penalty or assessment unless the respondent posts a bond or provides other adequate security.
- (3) The ALJ will rule upon a respondent's request for stay within 10 days of receipt.

§1005.23 Harmless error.

No error in either the admission or the exclusion of evidence, and no error or defect in any ruling or order or in any act done or omitted by the ALJ or by any of the parties, including Federal representatives such as Medicare carriers and intermediaries and Peer Review Organizations, is ground for vacating, modifying or otherwise disturbing an otherwise appropriate ruling or order or act, unless refusal to take such action appears to the ALJ or the DAB inconsistent with substantial justice. The ALJ and the DAB at every stage of the proceeding will disregard any error or defect in the proceeding that does not affect the substantial rights of the parties.

PART 1006—INVESTIGATIONAL INQUIRIES

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1006.3 Service and fees.

 $1006.4\,\,$ Procedures for investigational inquiries.

1006.5 Enforcement of a subpoena.

AUTHORITY: 42 U.S.C. 405(d), 405(e), 1302 and 1320a-7a.

SOURCE: 57 FR 3354, Jan. 29, 1992, unless otherwise noted.

§1006.1 Scope.

- (a) The provisions in this part govern subpoenas issued by the Inspector General, or his or her delegates, in accordance with sections 205(d) and 1128A(j) of the Act, and require the attendance and testimony of witnesses and the production of any other evidence at an investigational inquiry.
- (b) Such subpoenas may be issued in investigations under section 1128A of the Act or under any other section of the Act that incorporates the provisions of section 1128A(j).
- (c) Nothing in this part is intended to apply to or limit the authority of the Inspector General, or his or her delegates, to issue subpoenas for the production of documents in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 6(a)(4), App. 3.

§ 1006.2 Contents of subpoena.

- A subpoena issued under this part will—
- (a) State the name of the individual or entity to whom the subpoena is addressed:
- (b) State the statutory authority for the subpoena;
- (c) Indicate the date, time and place that the investigational inquiry at which the witness is to testify will take place;
- (d) Include a reasonably specific description of any documents or items required to be produced; and
- (e) If the subpoena is addressed to an entity, describe with reasonable particularity the subject matter on which testimony is required. In such event, the named entity will designate one or more individuals who will testify on its behalf, and will state as to each individual so designated that individual's name and address and the matters on which he or she will testify. The individual so designated will testify as to matters known or reasonably available to the entity.